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## RAJYA SABHA

The following Bill was introduced in the Rajya Sabha on the 13th September, 1956:—

### Bill No. XVIII of 1956

*A Bill to amend the Delivery of Books (Public Libraries) Act, 1954.*

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Delivery of Books (Public Libraries) Short title. Amendment Act, 1956.

27 of 1954. 2. In the long title of the Delivery of Books (Public Libraries) Act, 1954, (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after the word "books", the words "and newspapers" shall be inserted. Amendment of long title.

3. In sub-section (1) of section 1 of the principal Act, after the word "Books", the words "and Newspapers" shall be inserted. Amendment of section 1.

4. In section 2 of the principal Act, after clause (a), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:— Amendment of section 2.

25 of 1867. "(aa) 'newspaper' means any printed periodical work containing public news or comments on public news published in conformity with the provisions of section 5 of Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867."

5. After section 3 of the principal Act, the following section shall be inserted, namely:— Insertion new sectl 3A.

25 of 1867. "3A. Subject to any rules that may be made under this Act, but without prejudice to the provisions contained in the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, the publisher of every newspaper to pub librarier

newspaper, published in the territories to which this Act extends, shall deliver at his own expense one copy of each issue of such newspaper as soon as it is published to each such public library as may be notified in this behalf by the Central Government in the Official Gazette.”.

Amendment  
of section 5.

6. In section 5 of the principal Act,—

(a) for the words “and the value of the book”, the words “and, if the contravention is in respect of a book, shall also be punishable with fine which shall be equivalent to the value of the book” shall be substituted;

(b) after the words “to which the book”, the words “or newspaper, as the case may be” shall be inserted.

Substitution  
of new sec-  
tion for  
section 7.

7. For section 7 of the principal Act, the following section shall be substituted, namely:—

Application  
of Act to  
books and  
newspapers  
published by  
Government.

“7. This Act shall also apply to books and newspapers published by or under the authority of the Government but shall not apply to books meant for official use only.”.

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## STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

With a view to developing four public libraries in different parts of India to encourage scholarship and dissemination of knowledge, provision has been made in the Delivery of Books (Public Libraries) Act, 1954. The purpose of this amending Bill is to bring the newspapers within the purview of the Act so that the newspapers may also be available in these public libraries for reference and record

A. K. AZAD.

NEW DELHI;  
*The 31st August, 1956.*

S. N. MUKERJEE,  
*Secretary.*

